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TO: All Individuals and Groups Interested in the Activities  
of the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing

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SUBJECT: Title 5 Regulations, California Administrative Code,  
Sections 5924 through 5924.4, Eminence

The Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing has approved and adopted the following regulations in Title 5 of the California Administrative Code, Sections 5924 through 5924.4, relating to Eminence. These regulations have also been approved by the California State Board of Education.

5924. Eminence Credential. "Eminence" shall be interpreted to mean:

(a) the possession of knowledge and skill in an area which the school district wishes to offer in any of its schools.

(b) distinguished superiority as compared with others in attainments, and

(c) superior knowledge and skill, which shall be determined in comparison with the generally accepted standards and achievement in the profession in which the credential is sought.

5924.1. Statement of Need Employment and Verification of Qualifications. Pursuant to Section 13133 of the Education Code, issuance of an eminence credential shall be based upon a statement of need employment and a verification of qualifications.

(a) The statement of need employment in the district shall include the proposed specific assignment of the credential applicant and a certification of the intention of the district to employ the applicant if he is granted an eminence credential.

(b) The verification of qualifications of an applicant for an eminence credential shall include: (1) Recommendations, which may be from the following: professional associations; former employers; any other individuals or groups whose evaluations would support eminence; and (2) Documentation of achievement, which may include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, where pertinent; transcripts of related study; publications; professional performance; recognition of outstanding knowledge

and skill and professional achievement.

(c) The Commission shall, in its distributions of its monthly agenda, provide notice to the public of those individuals for whom it is considering issuing eminence credentials. Any association, group or individual may provide the Commission with a written statement regarding the qualifications of the individual under consideration by the Commission for an eminence credential.

5924.2. Scope of Eminence. A person may obtain an eminence credential if the subject or service in which ~~his~~ the work is determined to exhibit eminence is one which a school board wishes to have taught or practiced in its district.

5924.3. Reissuance of Eminence Credential. In determining whether or not it shall reissue an eminence credential, the Commission shall receive a written statement from the superintendent of the school district which shall include:

(a) A statement that the school district will rehire the applicant if ~~his~~ the credential is reissued;

(b) A statement that the governing board of the school district has determined that the eminence applicant will best serve the children of the district; and

(c) The eminence applicant's probation evaluation report compiled in the usual manner in which the district obtains reports of its probationary employees' performance.

The request from the school district for a reissuance of an eminence credential shall also contain the specific job description of the assignment that the eminence credential holder will fill.

5924.4. Term of Issuance, and Reissuance, and Renewal. An eminence credential shall be issued for a one-year period and may be issued, reissued, or renewed for one-year periods upon the request of the governing board of the school district.

5924.5. Term of Renewal. An eminence credential shall be renewed for one-year periods as specified in Section 13133 of the Education Code, and shall be renewed for one-year periods subsequent to three renewals upon the request of the governing board of the school district.